

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for oral administration

comprising:

- a) a cyclosporin as active ingredient in a carrier medium consisting essentially of
- b) a fatty acid triglyceride and
- c) a glycerol fatty acid partial ester or propylene glycol or sorbitol complete or partial ester.

2. (Currently Amended) A pharmaceutical composition for oral administration

comprising:

- a) a cyclosporin as active ingredient in a carrier medium consisting essentially of
- b + c) a transesterification product of a hydrogenated vegetable oil with glycerol[[,]] or propylene glycol ~~or sorbitol~~.

3. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 2 comprising

- b+c) a transesterification product of a ~~natural~~ hydrogenated vegetable oil and glycerol ~~or sorbitol~~.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) A composition according to claim 3, wherein (a) is selected from the group consisting of Ciclosporin, (Dihydro-MeBmt)¹-(Val)²-Ciclosporin and (Nva)²-Ciclosporin.

6. (Original) A composition according to claim 3, wherein (b+c) is a corn oil, almond oil, ground-nut oil, olive oil or palm oil trans-esterification product.

7. (Original) A composition according to claim 6, wherein (b+c) is a corn oil trans-esterification product.

8. (Canceled)

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the amount of free glycerol plus any other free mono-or poly-ol present in (b+c) is less than 10% [[,]] preferably less than 5%, by weight.

11. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the amount of mono-glyceride present in (b+c) is ca. 25-50% [[,]] preferably 30-45% by weight.

12. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[8]]~~ 3, wherein the amount of free glycerol present in (b+c) is less than 10% [[,]] ~~preferably less than 5%, more preferably ca. 4% by weight.~~

13. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[8]]~~ 3, wherein the amount of mono-glyceride present in (b+c) is 35-50% by weight[[,]] ~~preferably 40-45% by weight.~~

14. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[8]]~~3, wherein the amount of di-glyceride present in (b+c) is less than 40% and the amount of tri-glyceride present is less than 10% by weight.

15. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[9]]~~3, wherein the amount of free glycerol plus free sorbitol present in (b+c) is less than 5%~~[[,]] preferably ca. 1-2%~~ by weight.

16. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[9]]~~3, wherein the amount of mono-glyceride present in (b+c) is 30 to 40% by weight ~~[[,]] preferably ca. 35% by weight.~~

17. (Canceled)

18. (Original) A composition according to claim 3 additionally comprising:

d) a pharmaceutically acceptable solvent or diluent miscible with (b+c) and reducing, or capable of reducing, the viscosity of (b+c).

19. (Original) A composition according to claim 18, wherein (d) comprises a transesterification product of a natural vegetable oil triglyceride and a polyalkylene poly-ol.

20. (Original) A composition according to claim 18, wherein (d) comprises ethanol.

21. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[15]]~~18, wherein (d) comprises an esterification product of caprylic acid and caproic acid with glycerol.

22. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim ~~[[3]]~~ 18, additionally comprising:

e) a pharmaceutically acceptable emulsifying agent.

23. (Original) A composition according to claim 22, wherein (d) comprises a reaction product of a natural or hydrogenated castor oil and ethylene oxide.

24. (Original) A composition according to claim 3, in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable base material, the admixture being formed as, or capable of being formed into, a solid unit dosage.

25. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 24 wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable base material comprises a natural fat~~[[,]] in particular a natural vegetable fat such as cacao fat or cacao butter.~~

26. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 24, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable base material comprises a chocolate base~~[[,]]for example couverture chocolate.~~

27. (Currently Amended) A composition according to claim 1 comprising:

a) a cyclosporin as active ingredient in a carrier medium ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of

b) a fatty acid triglyceride

c) a glycerol fatty acid partial ester or propylene glycol or sorbitol complete or parital ester, and

e') a tenside having an HLB of at least 10.

28. (Currently Amended) Composition according to claim 27 wherein components (b) and (c) consist or consist essentially of the individual components of a trans-esterification product of a hydrogenated vegetable oil with glycerol, said composition:

- i) being free or substantially free of ethanol; or
- ii) comprising Ciclosporin or [Nva]²-Ciclosporin as component a) ; or
- iii) comprising components (a) and (e') in a ratio of 1: at least 1 p.p.w.

29. (Original) Composition according to claim 27, wherein (a) is present in an amount of from about 2 to about 20% by weight based on the total weight of components (a) to (c) and (e') inclusive.

30. (Currently Amended) Composition according to claim 27, wherein ~~(d)~~ (e') comprises the reaction product of a natural or hydrogenated castor oil and ethylene oxide, a polyoxyethyylene-sorbitan-fatty acid ester, a polyoxyethyylene fatty acid ester, a polyoxyethyylene-polyoxypropylene co-polymer or block co-polymer, dicotylsuccinate, di-[2-ethylhexyl]-succinate, a phospholipid, a propylene glycol mono-or di-fatty acid ester or sodium lauryl sulfate.

31. (Original) Composition according to claim 27 wherein (a) and (e') are present in a ratio of about 1:1 to 25 p.p.w. [(a) : (e)].

32. (Original) Composition according to claim 27 comprising a component (a) and a component (e') as defined in claim 27 and [(b) + (c)] a transesterification product of a vegetable oil and glycerol, propylene glycol or sorbitol.

33. (Original) Composition according to claim 32 wherein (b) and (c) consist or consist essentially of the individual components (b) and (c) of a component [(b) + (c)] as defined in claim 32.

34. (Original) Composition according to claim 33 wherein (a) and [(b) + (c)] are present in a ratio of about 1:0.75 to 35 p.p.w. [(a):[(b) +(c)]].

35. (Original) Composition according to claim 27 comprising at least one ingredient which consists or consists essentially of a component or components (b) as defined in claim 27 or of a component or components (c) as defined in claim 27.

36. (Original) Composition according to claim 27 wherein (c) comprises a glycerol fatty acid partial ester or acetylated derivative thereof.

37. (Original) Composition according to claim 27 wherein (b) and (c) are present in a ratio of about 1:0.02 to 3.0 p.p.w. [(b):(c)].

38. (New) A composition according to claim 3 wherein the amount of free glycerol plus any other free mono-or poly-ol present in (b+c) is less than 5% by weight.

39. (New) A composition according to claim 3 wherein the amount of mono-glyceride present in (b+c) is 30-45% by weight.

40. (New) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the amount of free glycerol present in (b+c) is less than 5%.
41. (New) The composition of claim 40 wherein the amount of free glycerol present in (b+c) is ca. 4% by weight.
42. (New) A composition according to claim 3, wherein the amount of mono-glyceride present in (b+c) is 40-45% by weight.
43. (New) A composition according to claim 15, wherein the amount of free glycerol plus free sorbitol present in (b+c) is ca. 1-2% by weight.
44. (New) A composition according to claim 16 wherein the amount of mono-glyceride present in (b+c) is 35% by weight.
45. (New) A composition according to claim 12, 40 or 41, wherein (b+c) is corn-oil trans-esterification product.
46. (New) A composition according to claim 25 wherein the natural fat is a natural vegetable fat.
47. (New) A composition according to claim 46 wherein the natural vegetable fat is cacao fat or butter.

48. (New) The composition of claim 26 wherein the chocolate base is couverture chocolate.